

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, a question of Senator Marsh.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Marsh, would you respond.

SENATOR MARSH: Certainly.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Marsh, do you read in this bill any thing that forces a person in Nebraska to take care of these children?

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Kelly, what I read into this bill is that you are trying to take away the licensing which has been effect since 1913 and not 1974.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you very much, Senator Marsh. Senator Marsh does not see in this bill anything that forces people to take care of these children and that is the way I read it. We are in agreement on one issue. There is nothing in this bill that forces citizens of Nebraska to take care of other people's children. Thank you. Defeat the amendment, please.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Any further discussion on the amendment to the amendment? If not, Senator Barnett, you may close on your amendment.

SENATOR BARNETT: First of all, Mr. President, I think two or three people, Senator Clark can pay attention. So should Senator Keyes, definitely. I don't think they have read the amendment. First of all, they haven't read the amendment. All you have to do is try to look at it and it has said nothing about what you are trying to read into it. Senator Kelly knows that. I have talked it over with him. There is a question on this piece of legislation, 372, as to whether the number "five" includes their own children or it does not. We are not arguing five, four, nine, fifteen or any number. All the amendment says that it includes their own children. It clarified an issue of which evidently you people missed. I know Senator Keyes missed it. He didn't even talk about it. That is all this amendment does. Whether you want five in there, nine in there, ten in there, Senator Kelly, it makes no difference to me. Whatever you can win on the floor, that is fine, but if you defeat this amendment, what you will do is you will confuse the issue, if you pass LB 372, which I supported. You will confuse the issue as to how many they can take care of, as to whether it does include their own children or it does not. And it is understandable why you oppose it if you haven't read it. I would ask you to try to adopt the amendment so that you could clarify a piece of legislation that will need clarification sooner or later. You will do it here or you will do it later. All this says is that it will include their own children. It is very simple. If it goes past a few senators, I can understand it because they probably haven't read it. With that, I would ask for you to adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The question is the adoption of the Barnett amendment to LB, to the Kelly amendment of LB 372. It just takes a majority of those...This is Select File, excuse me. It is the 25 votes. So all those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Report the vote.